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J. L. Whitney
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Ile Mott Sepr. 9th 1776

Dear General

Your favour of the 5th Inst. was delivered me this minute, by Col. Wigglesworth the Intelligence it contains is truly Important I shall wait with the greatest Anxeity for the particulars. tho the loss is great on our side, If the Enemy have been repulsed & Suffered, the Loss of three thousand Men killed, the Number of their wounded is doubtless much greater & must so much weaken & Discourage them that, they will hardly make another Attack this Season, & time must gain us a Victory I am extreamly glad you have sent Col. Wiggleworth, he is a Gentleman of whom I have a good Opinion, the Master of the R Savage Is ill with the feaver & Ague, I shall observe your Directions, very particularly, I hope soon to have the pleasure seeing Genl. Waterbury & the three Gallies, I think the Station we are In the best in the Lake to Stop the Enemy, there is Not a good Harbour except where the Lake is Wide untill you come to Button mould Bay thirteen Miles this side Crown Point

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Here I think we are Very safe from Gales of Wind, & the Anchorage Good, & Several Small Harbours in the Vicinity where the Gondolas will ride safe any Wind that Blows, I have sent you Robt Aitkins an Experienced Pilot, to bring Down the Gallies & have given him particular Directions.—

I am heartily obliged to you for your good Wishes & make no Doubt the Allmighty will Crown Our Virtuous Struggles with Success. I am with respect & Esteem

Dear General
Your Affectionate
& Obedt Hble Servt
B Arnold

PS I wrote you fully last Night by Lieut. Brooks — & now sent by Major Green, 22 Sick Men, exclusive of the of Col. Alexanders &c. B A—

Honble Major Genl. Gates

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